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June 28, 2001

Deena Shepherd-Johnson Remedial Enforcement Support Section U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Ranbar Technology, Inc.

Chemical Recovery Systems Site - Elyria, Ohio

Dear Ms. Shepherd-Johnson:

We represent Ranbar Technology, Inc. ("Ranbar"). On June 19, 2001, Ranbar received the following documents from U.S. EPA addressed to Ranbar Technology f/k/a Ball Chemical Co:

- 1. Letter dated March 2, 2001 Referencing: The Chemical Recovery Systems Site, Elyria, Ohio; General Notice Of Potential Liability And Request For Information ("March 2 Letter");
- 2. Letter dated March 7, 2001 Correcting certain phone number contact information contained in the March 2 Letter;
- 3. Letter dated May 18, 2001 Enclosing certain records kept by Chemical Recovery Systems; and,
- 4. Letter dated June 15, 2001 Referencing Negotiations On Consent Order For RI/FS Kickoff Meeting.

Ranbar is not, and never has been (i) known as Ball Chemical Co. or (ii) an affiliate of or otherwise related to Ball Chemical Co. Effective October 1, 1984, Ranbar did purchase some of the assets of Ball Chemical Co. According to the March 2 Letter, Attachment One - Site History, operations at the Chemical Recovery Systems Site were discontinued in 1981, fully three years before Ranbar came into existence.

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Ranbar is not identified by the U.S. EPA as a contributor to the Chemical Recovery Systems Site. In fact, Ranbar did not contribute any material to this site and never did any business with Chemical Recovery Systems. Ranbar did not own, control, generate or have any responsibility with respect to any items referred to in the above-referenced correspondence.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours

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